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## **Sorticulture festival takes over Legion Park** ***Art and nature are perfectly paired at Everett's garden arts festival***

EVERETT – Art unites with the garden as Everett's 20<sup>th</sup> annual garden arts festival, Sorticulture, gets underway on Friday, June 9, through Sunday, June 11, at Legion Park.

Sorticulture is a celebration of creative outdoor living, featuring hand-crafted art for the garden, rare plants from specialty nurseries, display gardens and fun projects for the kids, all in the beautiful arboretum setting of Legion Park in north Everett.

“Whether you're a green thumb or not, Sorticulture is just the place to come to get the garden-spiration you need to jazz up your own outdoor environment,” said Lisa Newland, City of Everett Cultural Arts Associate. “There is certainly something for gardeners and artists of all levels.”

There will be an array of specialty gardening tools and other resources for gardeners to help create a backyard oasis. Ciscoe Morris of KING 5, among many other local gardening experts, will be on-hand to provide green-thumb tips and tricks to attendees.

At Sorticulture, discover the perfect complement to your garden: sculptures, water features, trellises, rustic furniture, unique birdhouses, stepping stones, eye-catching glass art for the outdoors and much more.

After a day of browsing amongst beautiful plants and unique garden art treasures, spend the afternoon relaxing in the wine garden, while enjoying live performances from Mark DuFresene, The W Lovers, the Tarantellas, and many more all from the Back Porch stage.

Attendees need not worry about hauling their purchases around as Housing Hope will have an attended purchase hold and pick-up (suggested \$5 donation). Feel free to shop to your heart's content, and make sure to grab a GREEN pick-up pass for a quick return to the park with your car to retrieve all your treasures.

For visitors who are considering pet adoption, visit the Everett Animal Shelter booth and take home a furry friend. Free daily kids' activities include: paint a pot, plant a seed, face painting and Sandculture, a new sandbox addition near the playground to entertain the kids.

Two meet and greet signing opportunities will also be available: Poster Artist Kimberly Williams Mattson will be signing posters and selling her botanical greeting cards in the Everett Rowing Association's Wine Garden on Friday, from 11 a.m. to 8 p.m., and Saturday, 11 a.m. to 6 p.m. World-renowned miniature gardener, and pioneer of the gardening in miniature hobby, Janit Calvo, of Two Green Thumbs Miniature Garden Center, will also be signing her latest book, and have a make-it and take-it booth so you can create your own miniature garden.

Park at Everett Community College's N. Broadway lot and cross the street to catch the free shuttle in front of the Fitness Center. Biking to the event is also encouraged as there will be an attended bike corral where guests can leave their bike, helmet and shoes, under the careful watch of Sharing Wheels volunteers.

For further transit and event information go to [everettwa.gov/sorticulture](http://everettwa.gov/sorticulture). Admission to Sorticulture is free.

## **2017 Schedule of Music & Speakers**

### **Friday, June 9<sup>th</sup>**

10:00 – 11:30 a.m.: [A Well Known Stranger](#), *String Strummin' Goodness* (Music)  
12:00 – 1:30 p.m.: [Marina Christopher](#), *Sultry Jazz & Fresh Takes on Classic Pop* (Music)  
2:00 – 3:30 p.m.: [The Ryders Band](#), *Americana / Bluegrass / Country* (Music)  
4:00 – 5:30 p.m.: [Patrick McHenry](#), *Jazzy Pop Rock* (Music)  
6:00 – 8:00 p.m.: [Mark DuFresne](#), *Groove-Worthy Harmonic Blues* (Music)

### **Saturday, June 10<sup>th</sup>**

10:00 – 11:30 a.m.: [Robbie Egelstad](#), *Spanish Acoustic Guitar* (Music)  
12:00 – 1:30 p.m.: [The W Lovers](#), *Americana, Folky Country* (Music)  
1:00 – 3:00 p.m.: [The Tarantellas](#), *Festive Italian Musicians* (Strolling Music)  
2:00 – 3:30 p.m.: [Ciscoe Morris](#), *Extraordinary Plants for the Summer Garden* (Speaker)  
4:00 – 6:00 p.m.: [The Side Project](#), *Sultry Pop* (Music)

### **Sunday, June 11<sup>th</sup>**

10:00 – 11:30 a.m.: [Ronnda Cadle](#), *Acoustic Fingerstyle Guitarist* (Music)  
12:00 – 2:00 p.m.: [The Winterlings](#), *Alternative Folk* (Music)  
2:30 – 4:00 p.m.: [Jr. Geezer](#), *Original Folk-Rock* (Music)

### **Time and event details:**

- 10 a.m. to 8 p.m. Friday, June 9
- 10 a.m. to 6 p.m. Saturday, June 10
- 10 a.m. to 4 p.m. Sunday, June 11
- Legion Memorial Park, 145 Alverson Blvd. at West Marine View Drive in Everett, 98201

- Park at Everett Community College's N. Broadway lot and cross the street to catch the free shuttle in front of the Fitness Center.
- For a full list of participants and more: [everettwa.gov/sorticulture](http://everettwa.gov/sorticulture)

Sorticulture is proudly sponsored by: The Everett Herald, Everett Transit, Everett Animal Shelter, This is Everett, KRKO, Everett Community College, KXA, Housing Hope and Rubatino.

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